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The PEARSON TESTS (REQUIRED OF ELEMENTARY AND SPECIAL EDUCATION (General Curriculum) TEACHERS):

RALPH:

Here is what I've been able to find out:

The Pearson TESTS (as we call them) refer to three distinct subtests:

- Foundations of Reading
- Mathematics Subtest
- Multi-Subject Subtest
- NOTE: The Mathematics and Multi-Subject Subtests are often referred to as the General Curriculum Test (but they are actually two distinct subtests)

RESOURCES:

- On the Pearson Website...there are Practice Tests and answers
- ECU has prepared on-line modules but one has to be a registered student to access them. If districts are interested, there might be a way to work out some sort of deal (e.g., students pay for a one-credit course but access the modules). I don't know what's possible. I'm just conjecturing that some deal might be able to be worked out with the department.
- ECU also has a course designed specifically to prepare students for the Mathematics Subtest. The course number is: MATE 5251. Teachers would have to enroll as a non-degree student and then register for the course. Again, some sort of deal might be able to be worked out with the department.
- The Department of Public Instruction also has modules that are free and accessible and (some say) decent. You can access the information on the State Department of Public Instruction Website.
- Dr. Johna Faulkner and other reading faculty (of the Department of Literacy, English Education and History Education) have prepared and delivered professional development sessions focused on the Foundations of Reading Subtest. So one option is to see whether someone from the department might come out and do a Professional Development Session for the region. (I don't know what they charge for this service.)

PRAXIS TESTS (Educational Testing Service- ETS)

RESOURCES:

- Practice Tests are available on the ETS Website
- There are many published Prep Test books available to prepare for this test (Praxis for Dummies, etc.)

NOTE: ECU does not offer much support because our students have high pass rates on these tests

Hope this helps!

Linda